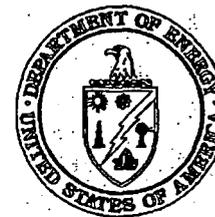




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Dear Mr. Saric, Mr. Schneider, and Mr. Devault:

CONTRACT DE-AC24-01OH20115, TRANSMITTAL OF NATURAL RESOURCE RESTORATION STATEMENT OF COMPLETION FOR FORMER PRODUCTION AREA PHASE II

This letter documents the Statement of Completion for Phase II of the Former Production Area (FPA) Natural Resource Restoration Project at the Fernald Closure Project. The FPA includes all of the former production and administration areas at the site, including the storm water retention basins (SWRB). The portions discussed in this Statement of Completion include all or part of the following Declaration Areas (DA): 4BPI, 5PI, 6PI, 6III, 7(3), 7(4), 7(5) and 7(6). Figure 1 (attached) shows the northern areas listed above (DA 6PI and 6III). Figure 2 (attached) shows the remaining areas.

The objectives for the FPA restoration involved the establishment of wetland and open water areas surrounded by upland prairie. All areas required extensive grading, the addition of soil amendments and seeding. Several wetland shrub patches were strategically placed in Area 4B for increased diversity and wildlife habitat (Figure 2). Wildlife amenities include a fox den in DA 6PI, as well as brush and stones that were added as substrate in several open water areas.

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The FPA restoration was conducted in accordance with the following:

- Former Production Area Natural Resource Restoration Design Plan (NRRDP)
- Silos Area NRRDP (includes a portion of DA 6III)
- Grading plan for Area 4B
- Grading plan for Area 6 (FPA), MDC 1st Street and 2nd Street, and Area 5

In addition to the NRRDPs and grading plans listed above, several areas were restored without formal submittal of a design plan. DA 7(3), 7(4), 7(5) and a portion of 7(6) were instead graded and seeded using the following criteria: create wetlands where possible, ensure slopes are 5:1 where possible, and seed with native grasses and forbs.

Most areas were restored in the summer and fall of 2006. A portion of Area 4B was restored in 2005.

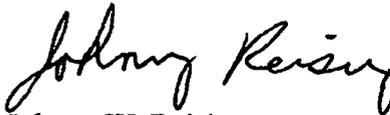
Deviations from Designs:

- The final grade was modified in DA 5PI area in order to maximize wetland and open water acreage.
- The final grade in DA 7(3) was modified to create a more natural drainage pattern into Area DA 4BPI.
- Planting patches in DA 4BPI were adjusted to account for increased open water acreage.
- The final grade in Area DA 6III was modified in order to maximize wetland acreage.

Mortality counts and herbaceous cover estimates for the project area will be conducted in late summer of 2007. The DOE Office of Legacy Management will ensure necessary maintenance and monitoring in these areas following Site Closure.

If you have any questions on this matter, please contact me at (513) 648-3139.

Sincerely,



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